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# Rommel's Defense Broken

## Our Daily Bread

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Medicine Goes to War

Rockefeller Foundation's Report

The annual report of the Rockefeller Foundation for 1942, released today, brings us two outstanding pieces of news.

## Pacific Area Policy Making Council Sought

Washington, April 7 —(AP)— Creation of a policymaking United Nations Council, with a subsidiary regional council for the Pacific area, was proposed in a report of the Institute of Pacific Relations, made public today.

Reporting on the institute's conference at Montreal, Quebec, last December, W. L. Holland, research secretary, said "protests were beginning to be heard against an excessive Anglo-American dominance in the conduct of the war."

Entitled "War and Peace in the Pacific," the report was prepared for distribution at an institute luncheon at which Undersecretary of State Sumner Wells was to speak.

"Coupled often with pleas for increased Chinese participation in the higher war councils, there were suggestions for the establishment of an effective executive council at least of the larger United Nations," the report said, adding:

"In all these criticisms there was a growing realization that not only the prosecution of the war but, even more, the better preparation for peace and postwar reconstruction would be badly handicapped unless the present nominal association of the United Nations is translated into a functioning policymaking organ."

Dr. Sao-Ke Alfred Sze, former Chinese ambassador to Washington, proposed the executive council of the United Nations, to include at least the United States, Great Britain, China and Soviet Russia.

Lord Hailey, leader of the British group, suggested the Pacific zone council, to consist of representatives of the overseas power concerned, with headquarters in North America. In round table discussions these were identified as China, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, France, the Netherlands and the United States.

His double function would be:

1. "To take charge of the civil activities, as a local agency, of whatever organization may be established by the United Nations for safeguarding the peace of Asia in common with other parts of the world."
2. "To secure, by joint consultation and cooperative action, a common policy, so far as may be, in the economic development and in the tariff and customs arrangements within this zone."

The Indians and Chinese, particularly, criticized the Pacific War Council and other existing agencies, it was said, on the ground that "some of the member countries are

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## Virginian Is Chief of Statistics Bureau

Little Rock, April 7 —(AP)—Francis B. Rhoads, director of the Vital Statistics Bureau for the West Virginia State Health Department, Charleston, W. Va., has been appointed to head the Bureau of Vital Statistics for Arkansas. Dr. W. B. Grayson, state health officer, announced Tuesday.

Rhoads, director of the West Virginia bureau for the past year and half will report here April 26, Grayson said. Before going to West Virginia, he was with the Washington State Health department eight years and organized and directed the vital statistics bureau.

## British Suffer Setback on Burma Front

By The Associated Press  
A new British setback on the Burma front was disclosed today as Field Marshal Sir Archibald P. Wavell's legions fell back on the Mayu peninsula, along the Bay of Bengal, to counter a threat by our flanking Japanese troops from the north.

British forces thrusting down the peninsula from India had previously failed in four attempts to crack the powerful Japanese defenses guarding the big coastal base at Akyab.

"Infiltrating across the Mayu river south of Kwazone, the enemy succeeded over the weekend in mounting a direct threat to our communications in the narrow strip between the hills and the sea north of Dambuk," a British communique said.

"To meet this outstanding movement, necessary readjustments have been made in our positions on the Mayu peninsula."

The extent of the withdrawal was not revealed, but dispatches from the front last week said Gen. Wavell was preparing to pull in his vanguards and dig in at more favorable positions to await the arrival of the monsoon rains.

The British command said other British forces were holding unchanged positions in the hills north of the Mayu peninsula, where severe casualties were inflicted on the Japanese in fighting still in progress.

In the southwest Pacific, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that Allied fliers bombed Japanese occupied villages in the Aroo islands, the enemy's closest foothold to Australia, and set big fire in the Japanese base at Salamaua, New Guinea.

United Nations airmen also raked the enemy at Alitit, in the Tanimbar Islands, and at Gasmata, New Britain.

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## U. S. Bombers Strike Subs, Destroy 15

London, April 7 —(AP)— United States heavy bombers struck what may well have been the heaviest single blow of the war against the U-boats when they damaged severely seven of the 15 submarines in construction lines at Vee-aek March 18, an RAF commentator said today.

One of these, which was hit very heavily and capsized in berth, was ready for almost an immediate launching, said this source whose name could not be given.

Two of the submarines were far enough so they could have been launched probably by mid-May, he said. He added that two others would have been finished in mid-June, while the remaining two were in the embryonic stage.

## World Banking Plans Advanced by U. S., Britain

By GEORGE CULLEN  
Washington, April 7 (AP)—It apparently would cost this government nothing extra to participate in a postwar gold currency stabilization program evolved by the U. S. Treasury.

The program, which has been submitted to 37 nations for discussion, calls for a \$5,000,000,000 stabilization fund to which Secretary Morgenthau says the United States would contribute about \$2,000,000,000 or 40 per cent. Other nations would contribute proportionately under a specified formula.

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Lord Keynes describes his proposal as providing the same facilities between nations that a banking system provides within nations. He writes:

"No depositor in a local bank suffers because the balances, which he leaves idle, are employed to finance the business of someone else."

"Just as the development of national banking systems served to offer a deflationist pressure which would have prevented otherwise the development of modern industry, so by extending the same principle into the international field we may hope to offset the contractionist pressure which might otherwise overwhelm in social disorder and disappointment the good hopes of our modern world."

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## War Planners View Way to Convince Reds

BY WADE WENNER  
Former Chief of the Moscow Bureau of the Associated Press  
Washington, April 7 —(AP)— Convincing Russia there will be no effort to build a barrier of anti-Soviet states across Europe after the war was viewed in diplomatic circles here today as one of the thorniest problems confronting postwar planners.

That there will be no effort to erect such a barrier was emphasized by Assistant Secretary of State Adolf A. Berle, Jr., in a broadcast last Sunday when he said:

"Today the idea of a buffer state is as dead as a dodo."

Butter states, Berle said, are a relic of the old era of secret diplomacy.

His words were widely interpreted as meaning the United States would not insist on post-war restoration of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania (the Baltic states absorbed by Russia in 1940), or restoration to Poland of eastern areas occupied by Russia in 1939.

## Soviets Reported Fighting Inside Novorossisk

By EDDY GILMORE  
Moscow, April 7 (AP)— Sharp fighting along the Donets river and in the Kuban delta in the Caucasus, was reported by the Russians today as the long Soviet-German outfighting experienced better weather.

In the Kuban delta, where the Red Army had been said unofficially to be fighting in the suburbs of Novorossisk, the Black sea port, dispatches said the Russians kept up their offensive and drove doggedly into the Germans against strong resistance.

The fighting there extended over acres of glue-like mud and swollen streams, but the Russians said their troops plunged on nevertheless, falling upon the Nazi flank in some areas and in others surrounding the foe.

There was virtually no news of Novorossisk, however, the last big objective the Germans held in the northern Caucasus area. The Nazis are striving with all their power to hold this Naval base, for it is one of the best ports along the whole Black sea.

The Germans' newest attacks south of Izyum against a Soviet bridge-head were announced to have cost them more than 500 dead and one of their front lines.

Again as in previous days, the Russians said, the Army found it not give way to surprise attacks but held together and shifted strength quickly to the sectors under greatest pressure.

(The German High Command, in its Wednesday communique broadcast by the Berlin radio and recorded by the Associated Press, said a German "offensive enterprise" in the central Donets region "reached the planned goal notwithstanding tenacious enemy resistance."

"In the course of a successful assault in the northern sector of the front," it added, "shock troops of a Spanish volunteer division blew up 14 bunkers and returned with prisoners."

Russian dispatches said the German air force was operating in considerable strength up and down the Donet, but was losing heavily under attacks by Russian fighter planes and anti-aircraft batteries.

Red Star, Army organ, said the Germans tried again to take a strategic hill in the northern Donets sector, but again failed. The position has undergone no fewer than 20 attacks in the spring fighting, but Red Star said the Germans never had been able to storm it.

The hill was not identified, but a dispatch ten days ago described it as one of great strategic importance, commanding the whole area, and a key to the battlefield there.

In fresh attacks in the Volkov sector, south of Leningrad, the Germans lost heavily and gained nothing, the Russians reported.

Dispatches from Leningrad related that brighter weather has brought mass German air raids on the city. Anti-aircraft fire was said to have brought down 13 attacking planes in one day.

## U. S., British Advance, Take 5000 Prisoners

By DANIEL DELUCE  
Allied Headquarters in North Africa, April 7 —(AP)— The British Eighth Army has broken through the Axis hill and Wadi defenses north of Gabes, and American troops have mopped up Germans on the Djebel Maizila, north of Maknassy, and advanced east of El Guestar in a coordinated squeeze of Marshal Erwin Rommel, latest reports from the front said today.

Seizing two high hills which dominated the new defenses along the Wadi El Akarit, 20 miles north of Gabes, the British held these strong points through violent German counterattacks after a breakthrough behind a heavy artillery barrage and an Allied headquarters communique said they captured 5,000 prisoners, mostly Italian.

(Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the House of Commons London that British armor had reached open country yesterday after taking all the key positions in the Wadi El Akarit line, and that the British were retreating northward with Montgomery in "hot pursuit."

Six thousand Axis prisoners had been captured, he said, after an artillery preparation from 500 guns, a concentration about equal to that which opened the El Alamein battle in Egypt last October.)

The Americans, attacking 40 miles to the west in an effort to link hands with Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's warriors and also to threaten Rommel's rear, launched heavy new attacks.

They tried desperately to dislodge entrenched German forces from their formidable artillery positions and strong lines of machine-gun nests planted in the rocks of Djebel Kheroun nine miles east of El Guestar.

Latest reports said they had advanced after previous failures. Dispatches from the front said the American tank went forward about five-eighths of a mile yesterday and that the infantry continued its dogged push through the hills. Thirty Italians were taken prisoner.

About 40 miles to the north, the Americans attacked in a new sector, nine miles north of Maknassy, and first were reported to have driven to the mouth of Maizila pass and then to have mopped up the Germans remaining on the dominant heights.

(At last reports, the Americans in that sector were only 28 miles from Rommel's coastal road.)

The Allied air war kept pace with the furious ground action, as British and American planes unleashed another of their powerful daily offensives, sinking at least 17 ships, battering the enemy's forward positions, scorching airfields and hammering at the ports of Tunis, Tripoli, Ragusa and Messina on both sides of the Sicilian Strait.

Shooting down 27 planes, they brought their two-day toll of enemy aircraft to 79, compared with 1 for the two days lost by the Allies.

The Wadi El Akarit line collapsed within two hours after Montgomery's Eighth Army launched its first assault at 4:30 a.m. yesterday.

The infantry charge was protected by a thundering bombardment of hundreds of guns which opened at 4 o'clock in one of the heaviest blows ever dealt by Allied artillery in the African war.

The enemy held two hills, the Djebel Tebaga Fatmessa and Djebel El Roumana, about two miles apart and hidden from the coastal highway. There were the only high ground in the battle area and the British riflemen attacked them under a blazing counterfire.

By 6 a.m., both hills were in British hands. Half an hour later the enemy tried to retake them but met a bloody repulse. By 6:30 a.m. all organized opposition in the area had ceased.

There was no official information on how far the British had progressed after that, but the desert is flat for 30 miles to the north and afforded little opportunity for Rommel to top and give battle.

About 30 miles to the north his route of retreat lay between the little salt marsh, Chott Sebket and the sea.

Montgomery was said to have commented: "My troops fought splendidly. The fighting was as tough as anything we have encountered since El Alamein."

Allied patrols were active everywhere along the front from the British First Army's sector in the north to the central sectors of

## Japs on Kiska Heavily Hit by U. S. Planes

Washington, April 7 —(AP)— The Navy reported today that forces of Army heavy and medium bombers raided Japanese positions on Kiska island in the Aleutian give times Monday and scored hits on enemy positions.

One attack was made against Attu island in the Aleutians the same day.

Communications No. 336 said:

"North Pacific:

"1. On April 5, forces of Army Liberators (Consolidated B-24) heavy bombers and Mitchell (North American B-25) medium bombers, escorted by Lightning (Lockheed P-38) and Warhawk (Curtiss P-40) fighters, carried out five attacks against Japanese in the Wadi El Akarit line, and that in the central Donets region "reached the planned goal notwithstanding tenacious enemy resistance."

"South Pacific: (All dates are east longitude)

"2. On April 4, a group of Dauntless Dive Bombers (Douglas SBD) and Lightning fighters attacked Japanese positions at Billa in the central Solomons. Fires were started."

The Monday raid on Kiska raised to 51 the total number of attacks made against that enemy-held island since March 1 when the current aerial offensive in the Aleutians got under way.

## MOP Would Extend Bus Line Service

Little Rock, April 7 —(AP)— The Missouri Pacific Transportation Co., asked the Corporation Commission today to cancel immediately the Eagle Transportation Co.'s Fordyce - Little Rock bus permit and to authorize Missouri Pacific to operate three additional round trips daily between the cities for a 90 day trial period.

The company submitted the proposal as an alternative to the Southwestern Greyhound line's application to extend its El Dorado-Fordyce operations into Little Rock.

A two and one half day hearing on the Greyhound application ended at noon. Attorneys were given three weeks to prepare briefs.

Eagle has been operating over U. S. Highway 167 between Little Rock and El Dorado via Fordyce since 1940. The Supreme Court directed the commission several weeks ago to cancel the Eagle permit between Little Rock and Fordyce but the court mandate was not filed until this week.

The commission Monday authorized Greyhound to take over Eagle operations between El Dorado and Fordyce.

Greyhound Attorney Willis B. Smith asked the commission today to let his company operate over the El Dorado - Fordyce run under Eagle's name until the body rules on the Fordyce - Little Rock application.

Missouri Pacific now operates three schedules daily between Little Rock and El Dorado via Fordyce and Camden. The three new schedules would meet the Greyhound schedules between El Dorado and Fordyce at Fordyce and afford six schedules between Little Rock and Fordyce.

## Results of Elections in Arkansas

By The Associated Press  
Fort Smith — A half mill tax for the maintenance of the Carnegie library here was voted in yesterday's municipal election, 1,648,523. Rejected 1,061-1,237 was a proposal to levy a \$1.50 garbage collection fee. Jay Medlin defeated incumbent H. S. Peck 1,234-1,127 for Commissioner of Parks and Utilities.

Little Rock — Annexation of approximately five square miles on the southeast, south and western sections of Little Rock was approved 891,133. The new territory included Adams Field, territory south of Asher Avenue and Oak Forest and adjacent subdivisions.

Jonesboro — W. C. Craig, veteran peace officer, lost his attempt to unseat Mayor Herbert J. Bosler who was seeking his 21st term. Bosler polled 433 votes. Craig 338.

Paragould — G. W. Hammond, 44, news stand operator, defeated incumbent Aaron H. Massengill for mayor, 4483-71.

Stuttgart — Dr. H. S. Neel defeated L. K. Buckle 1480-2 for mayor. He will succeed Harvey C. Stamp who is completing his third term.

## Rubber Situation Believed Better

Washington, April 7 —(AP)— Rubber Director William M. Jeffers thinks the tension will be eased on the nation's strained rubber situation in a year and the synthetics eventually can supply America's needs.

Nevertheless, he believes South American rubber should be kept in production as "insurance."

Jeffers voiced these opinions at a press conference yesterday, during which he acknowledged that thus far synthetic production has failed to turn out a truck tire that could meet all needs.

As for reports that he may resign this summer: "If the (synthetic) plants aren't producing by June, why I'm staying around."

Jeffers said the rubber situation is "a little better" than it was a year ago. He said the synthetic rubber plants are "a little better" than they were a year ago.

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# Axis Ousted From Most Stronghold in South Tunisia

## Analysis of the News by Mackenzie

### Editorial Comment Written Today and Moved by Telegraph or Cable.

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

General Montgomery's smashing new victory, as disclosed by British Prime Minister Churchill in the House of Commons today, would seem to have deprived the fleeing Rommel of the last strong Axis position in southern Tunisia.

Mr. Churchill is an able reporter and a grand announcer. Let's hope he doesn't lose his voice.

What has happened is that Montgomery has driven Rommel from the powerful defenses of the Wadi El Akarit, a gorge-like valley about twenty miles north of the Port of Gabes. This feat, which was achieved by the Hell-for-leather British Eighth Army in hand-to-hand fighting after a terrific artillery and aerial bombardment of enemy positions.

At latest reports Rommel's heels were flashing up the coast, with Montgomery in hot pursuit. Axis prisoners were pouring into the British rear, and there could be no doubt that heavy casualties were being inflicted on the fleeing forces.

It seems like yesterday — and in fact it's only a few weeks ago — that I sat with Montgomery in his caravan in the Libyan desert and heard him describe Rommel as a great soldier, but one who would be beaten. Rommel is a great soldier, too, and he has done a masterful job in alternately standing off the enemy and extricating his troops from seemingly impossible positions.

However, the Nazi Marshal would seem to be getting close to the end of his rope, though we shouldn't jump to the conclusion that there won't be more fierce fighting in Tunisia. His latest defeat is a particularly grave one for him, because it puts him out in the open to run the gantlet in an effort to make a junction with his colleague, General Von Arnim, in the far north.

The Wadi Akarit was a strong position which Rommel had prepared in advance as a second defense behind the Mareth line. However, this Wadi, or deep valley, is about the last of such natural positions along the central coastal area of Tunisia until you get in the vicinity of the port of Sousse.

Thus while Rommel undoubtedly has prepared positions for just such a contingency, there is no indication that he has any place which approaches the strength of the Wadi which he now has been forced to flee. This being so, his army will be compelled to fight more or less in the open coastal plain, and to suffer a terrific bombing from massed Allied warplanes. The Marshal is in a very bad way. One assumes that Rommel now will make an effort to race through to Von Arnim before one of the Al-

## Market Report

**ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK**  
National Stockyards, Ill., April 7 (AP) — (U.S. Dept. Agr.) — Hogs: 7,500; weights over 170 lbs. 15.20 higher; lighter weights 15.25 higher; sows ranging 15.50 higher; bulk good and choice 180 - 200 lb. 15.65-70; top 15.75; 160 - 170 lb. 14.90-15.25; 140-160 lbs. 14.40-15.00; 100-130 lbs. 13.15-14.25; sows, mostly 15.00-40; few down to 15.00; stags 15.50 down.

Cattle, 2,000; calves, 700; all salable; steers supply moderate; other classes in light volume; opening trade fully steady with Tuesday; few loads of good steers 15.50-16.25; medium and good heifers and mixed yearlings 13.75-15.00; common and medium cows 11.00-13.50; top sausage cows 11.00-14.50; good and choice vealer 15.00; medium and good 12.50-13.75; nominal range slaughter steers 12.00 - 17.25; slaughter heifers 11.00 - 16.25; stocker and feeder steers 11.00-15.25.

Sheep, 1,000; receipts include three doubles southwest clipped lambs and around 500 head trucked in; market opened steady; good and choice trucked in woolled lambs 16.00 - 75; short deck at latter price; deck medium and good 15.50; good and choice clipped lambs No. 1 skins 15.25-30; woolled ewes 9.00 down.

### GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, April 7 (AP) — An easy undertone prevailed in grains today, although earlier losses in most crops were partly cancelled before the close. Further selling on indications that the Bankhead bill would not be passed by the Senate over the president's veto depressed prices.

A feature of the trade was a decline in September corn contracts to \$1.04 1/4 shortly after the opening. A later rally sent the price back to 11.05, the ceiling, and considerable trading took place at and slightly under that level.

At the close wheat was 18 1/4-1/8 higher; 3-4 corn was unchanged at 45 1/2-3/4; May 1.01 and September 1.05, oats were 1-8 lower to 1-4 higher and rye was unchanged to 1-4 higher.

Cash wheat: No sales.  
Corn, No. 2 yellow 1.02; No. 4, 1.20 1/2-1.21 1/2.

Oats: No. 1 mixed 65 1/2; sample grade mixed 62 1/2-63; No. 1 white 66; No. 2, 66 1/2.  
Barley malting 90 - 1.07 nom. feed 80 - 90 nom.  
Soybeans sample, grade yellow 1.48 1/2-1.49 15/100.

### NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 7 (AP) — Cotton futures rallied moderately today in a fairly active market. New buying and trade price fixing was traced by Tuesday's sharp reaction.

Selling came principally through commission houses. Late quotations were up 25 to 40 cents a bale. May 20.37, July 20.16 and Oct. 19.87. Futures closed 55-75 cents a bale higher.

May—opened, 20.41; closed, 20.41  
July—opened, 20.21; closed, 20.21  
Oct—opened, 19.96; closed, 19.96  
Dec—opened, 19.89; closed, 19.89  
Feb—opened, 19.84; closed, 19.84  
Midling spot 22.20; up 11  
N Nominal.

### NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, April 7 (AP) — Another wave of profit selling in stocks today lowered the market's resistance, but a late recovery erased a fair part of earlier losses in many of the leaders.

Through the morning the trend was down with pressure increased somewhat by short selling put out in belief the market was due for corrective reaction after its recent speedy rise.

Many rail and industrial favorites were off 1 to 2 points at the worst. On the turnabout coppers and golds made the best showing and some of these had moderate net gains in the final hour. Anaconda and Kennecott attaining new highs for a year or more.

Steel, motors and carriers had tied columns can cut through to the coast ahead of him and so surround him. In any event, the Axis forces in Tunisia are hemmed in without hope of escape. The trap is closing in on them like a great hydraulic press.

Air power again is playing a vital part in the British advance. Not only have Rommel's forces been subjected to a ceaseless bombardment, day and night, but the Anglo-American air forces have been destroying the transport planes which Hitler has tried to send to his hard pressed captain.

a moderate comeback from the bottom levels and did better than the general run of industrial specialties. Dealings were around 2,000,000 shares.

## No Doubt He Had Made An Error

Camp Tyson, Tenn., April 7 (AP) — The boys at Camp Tyson claim the "reddest face in Tennessee" belongs to Corp. William Herron.

Arriving here from Florida, Herron proceeded to unpack his barracks bag, and pulled out dainty feminine undergarments in a steady stream.

The reason, Enroute, he'd accidentally exchanged his bag with one belonging to a WAAC.

## Two Charged in Mystery Slaying

Calico Rock, April 7 (AP) — A mother and her pretty, red-haired 21-year-old daughter — the latter mysteriously murdered for nearly four months — were charged today with first degree murder for the death of the woman's husband, Charles Durant, 43, whose body was found Sunday in a shallow grave in the backyard of the family's former home here.

Deputy Prosecutor R. D. Harris announced he filed the murder charges against Mrs. Armande Rose Durant and her daughter, Mary, in circuit court at Melbourne on information furnished by Sheriff J.A. Rodman.

A coroner's jury held that Durant, a World War veteran, met violent death and Rodman said an autopsy revealed a shattered revolver bullet in his head.

The sheriff said police at Tomeo, Mich., took Mrs. Durant in custody there yesterday and reported she would waive extradition. He said he did not know when he would return here but that he was anxious to question her.

Rodman was in Little Rock today, armed with a court order authorizing him to examine Durant's record at the Veterans' Administration offices. Durant served in World War I under the name Charles W. Darling and was drawing compensation in that name. The sheriff said he expected the records to shed some light on the man's past and possible give him a clue to the whereabouts of the missing girl — Durant's stepdaughter.

"There are a lot of strange things about this case," Rodman said. "If we could find the girl, I think we could solve it."

He disclosed that Mary Durant had been engaged to an army lieutenant whom she had never seen. "It was a correspondence romance," he said. She wrote letters to people she contacted through magazine columns. This officer came to Calico Rock looking for her a few days after she disappeared. I am going to question him as soon as possible.

Rodman said the girl attended public school here but did not finish high school. He said she was seldom seen in public unless accompanied by Durant who lived a secluded life, supported by his federal compensation.

Durant disappeared about December 1, about a month after Mrs. Durant left town. Rodman said the girl left two weeks later driving a family-owned truck which later was found abandoned at West Plains, Mo. Mrs. Durant returned late in December, stayed for about two weeks, disposed of the household goods and then left, Rodman said. The house remained vacant until February.

"The Veterans Administration received two letters, handwritten and signed with Durant's name, dated after December 1," Rodman said. "These letters said that Durant had accepted employment in Chicago and did not want his compensation payments continued. I think they were written after he was slain."

## Hempstead Turnback Share Is \$4,110.81

Little Rock, April 7 (AP) — The January March quarterly turnback of gasoline taxes to the counties reflected the effects of rationing when the total allocation of \$258,932.74 dropped \$106,335.64 under the preceding quarter and \$110,217.35 below that for the same period last year.

Distribution to counties by Treasurer Earl Page included: Columbia \$3,915.32; Hempstead \$4,110.81; Jefferson \$7,623.76; Ouachita \$38,91.50 and Washington \$8,247.33.

## Canadian Railroad Is Cookin' With Steam

Washington (AP) — War traffic demands have led the Canadian National Railroad to add "coffee shop" cars. The kitchen and pantry are in the middle of the car, with space for 20 diners at each end.

Vegetables are cooked with steam from the locomotive. The cars, described in the Commerce Department's publication Foreign Commerce, are said to serve patrons faster than regular dining cars.

## Contributors to County Red Cross Drive

Previously reported \$9,739.26

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W. E. Cox & Sons	50.00
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Mr. Lisenby	.25
Mrs. H. L. Johnson	.50
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Lizette Aubrey	1.00
Audrey	1.00
Addie Burt	1.00
Maggie Green	1.00
Rebecca Nelson	1.00
Will & Geo. McGill	1.00
H. C. Brunson	1.00
Boffie S. Wise	1.00
Nola Marks	1.00
W. M. Carter	1.00
Kansas Pennington	1.00
Mattie Bell Aubrey	1.00
Eggins Madison	1.00
Martha Bolden	1.00
Will Montgomery	1.00
Emma Brewer	1.00
Marland McClinton	1.00
Mollie Mitchell	1.00
James McElroy	.25
Katie Campbell	.25
Connie Lee Cheatham	.25
Carlene Mills	.25
Grades 1 through 3	1.00
Bates McCain	1.00
Leo Walker Bryant	1.00
Emma Walker	1.00
Caldonia Jones	1.00
Annie Sampson	1.00
Ella Carrington	1.00
Nathan Hendrix	1.00
Melrosia Pennington	1.00
Siberia Hopson	1.00
(The total amount so far collected from Fulton is \$252.62.)	
Total reported to date	\$9,998.88

## Pacific Area

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insufficiently represented in the non-military phases of the conduct of the war and especially in the making of policies. They also felt that the existing agencies "were not sufficiently coordinated."

Some delegates recommended pan's economic development of the conquered territories, such as the New Hebrides Indies.

"Repeatedly the round table (on China) was reminded of the danger of letting Japan make her dispositions unchecked while the western powers disposed of unfinished business in Europe," the report said.

"It is important to keep Japan 'off balance' so that she might not consolidate her present political and military position."

"It was felt by several that the recapture of Burma should rank high in the list of military priorities, some even placing it second in importance to the North African campaign."

"The view of most members," the report said, "that the British, Dutch, French and American dependencies in the Pacific, recaptured from Japan, should be returned to their sovereign powers," pending steps for their advancement toward self-government.

The round table on India "stressed the need for some form of collective security, including the United States."

"Only thus will it be possible to break the vicious circle of United States isolationism and unwillingness to accept future foreign responsibilities, on the one hand," the report said "and on the other, British imperialism and reluctance to give up control over territories without assurance as to what new form of control will succeed their present rule."

Pomona, Calif., April 7 (AP) — Mrs. Annetta J. St. Gaudens, 73, noted American sculptress, whose husband and brother in law attained fame in the same art medium, died last night.

## Seven Brothers Join Armed Forces

Boston, April 7 (AP) — Seven sons of Mrs. Joseph F. O'Connell, widow of a congressman, have joined the armed services.

Mata, a daughter now in college, wants to join the WAAC when she graduates.

"I don't know what I shall do then," Mrs. O'Connell told an interviewer. "But I won't think of that now."

Mrs. O'Connell says a prayer each night for each of her Army and Navy sons.

The latest to leave was Conleth, 19, who started today for Fort Devens, Mass.

"I've got to work very hard to catch up with my brothers," he said. They are all officers or officer candidates.

Still at home with Mrs. O'Connell are Mata and two other daughters and a son in high school.

## Continued Oil Development Is Sought

Magnolia, April 7 (AP) — District engineers for the petroleum administration for war collaborated today with the Arkansas Oil and Gas Commission and operators in the preparation of recommendations for continued oil development of the Dorcheat and Macedonia oil fields.

The state commission decided to submit recommendations jointly with the operators after B. E. Buchanan, district chairman for PAW, gas division told the commission here that he would recommend oil development for the Cotton Valley said in the two fields upon assurance it would not impair gas production there.

Buchanan asserted that evidence presented at yesterday's hearing was the first factual presentation, except generally, offered in support of the oil development.

Recommendations on which the engineers and the state commission agreed will be forwarded to Washington.

New drilling Dorcheat, Macedonia and McKame fields has been halted by PAW refusal to authorize additional permits. The federal agency contended critical materials were used in drilling wells which frequently produced natural gas only and that sufficient gas wells had been drilled. Operators and O. C. Bailey, chairman of the state commission, cited need for new petroleum sources in the war effort and pretended evidence showing availability of crude in the area.

The commission fixed the daily production allowable for the state's oil wells for May, June and July at 72,340 barrels. All fields except the Jones sand pool at Shuler were allotted the same allowances as they have for the current quarter. The Shuler Jones sand allowable was cut at the unit operator's request 1,000 barrels daily to 11,000.

## U. S., British

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Ousseltia and Fondouk. In another fierce foray against Axis shipping in the Sicilian straits six enemy ships were sunk from a convoy and an ammunition ship blown up.

Flying Fortresses, in another battle during the bombing of a convoy off Bizerte, shot down 15 enemy fighters, the war bulletin said.

Tunis in Tunisia and Trapani in Sicily were heavily attacked by bursts on the docks, the communiqué said.

Altogether 20 enemy aircraft were reported destroyed yesterday, compared with a loss of five Allied machines.

This brought to 79 the two-day toll of enemy aircraft taken by Allied airpower in the African theater.

Besides the seven ships accounted for out of one convoy, many other ships of all classes were sunk or severely damaged by the heavy and very successful attack at Trapani, the communiqué said.

Among enemy planes shot down were four Italian torpedo bombers which attempted to attack Allied shipping off the Algerian coast.

(Axis communiques quickly acknowledged that Gen. Montgomery's offensive was under way again after heavy artillery bombardments.

"Fighting is in full swing," the German communiqué broadcast by the Berlin radio said.

(The Italian war bulletin broadcast by the Rome radio said the attack was preceded "with a violent artillery barrage and a large-scale use of tanks."

(The Italians also disclosed that Messina and Ragusa as well as Trapani were bombed. Forty persons were killed and more than a hundred injured in the Trapani raid, the Italian said, and six were killed at Messina.

(The Italians reported that seven raiding planes were lost by the Allies and that another seven planes were shot down, one yab-in aircraft fire and the others in air duels with Italian and German fighter planes.)

The announcement that Gen. Montgomery's forces were again on the move was first made in a special communiqué from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters last night.

## Dining Car Cook to Face Murder Charge

Albany, Ore., April 7 (AP) — The knife slaying of a pretty Virginia bride as she lay in lower berth 13 of a speeding train brought Robert E. Lee Folkes, 20-year-old Los Angeles Negro dining car cook, to trial today on a first degree murder charge.

Folkes is accused of cutting the throat of Mrs. Martha Virginia James, 21, bride of a naval ensign and member of a prominent Virginia family, before dawn Jan. 23 while the Southern Pacific's West Coast Limited roared through snow-mantled Oregon en route to California.

The slaying of the body in the aisle was the first warning to passengers that there had been a slaying. Quick search of the train, failed to disclose a murder weapon. The slayer left such few clues that there even was speculation he had left the train.

No motive was brought out by investigators.

Because of traffic congestion, Mrs. James' husband, on his way to a new assignment, was on another train.

After the slaying, some passengers in the ill-fated Steeper D section told officers they recalled hearing a muffled scream and one heard a woman protesting. "I can't stand this any longer."

Several days later Folkes was arrested in Los Angeles. Harlow Weinrick, district attorney for Lincoln County, Oregon, in which the train slaying occurred, said Folkes made several oral confession but their context never was officially disclosed.

## War Planners

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statement that the buffer state is a thing of the past, "died as a dodo," aroused perturbation among representatives of some of the smaller European state, who asked that was to become of them.

They drew attention to a dictionary definition of the buffer state as "a country or state, for example Switzerland, which intervenes geographically between larger states and lessens the danger of rupture from immediate contact of their unfriendly element."

Belgium was cited as an outstanding example of the buffer state and it was recalled that the pre 1938 Austrian Republic was buffer between Germany and Italy; Albania a buffer between Italy and Greece.

One of the worried diplomats, who asked that his identity be withheld, pointed out that Adolf Hitler's publicly proclaimed excuse for invading Belgium and Holland was that these buffer states were about to double - cross Germany, their powerful neighbor. But the sad history of the League of Nations showed only too clearly, he said, that the series of aggression which wrecked international efforts to maintain world peace were without exception launched by great powers, not buffer states.

How to reassure Russia without throwing one of the smaller European states into a panic thus appeared to be one of the complexities of the situation.

More than half of Morocco's export trade and 70 per cent of its imports pass through the port of Casablanca.

Continual cannon fire has been heard 100 miles from the scene of the firing.

## Half Burned Coat Clue in Slaying

Calico Rock, April 7 (AP) — A partly-burned mackinaw containing two \$1 bills, a package of cigarettes and a pair of spectacles has been found in a field near here, giving rise to hope that it may be a clue in the mystery killing of Charles Durant, 43.

The garment was discovered by children in a field on the Little 12 or 15-acre farm that Durant rented on the outskirts of town. Sheriff J. R. Rodman, who spent yesterday in Little Rock seeking information on Durant from the Veterans Administration, was not available for comment, having left Melbourne this morning for an undisclosed destination without revealing his purpose.

Durant had been seen wearing a mackinaw here before his disappearance early in December. His body was dug from a shallow grave in the back yard of his former home Sunday after a dog belonging to Herman Reeves, new occupant of the residence, scratched up a man's hand. The Reeves family moved to another residence precipitately.

Childbed fever is the largest single cause of maternity deaths.

## Washington

By JACK STINNETT  
Wide World Features Writer

Washington — For the first time the Army has set up a school for postmen.

Officially, it's the Army Postoffice School at Pennsylvania State Teachers College, West Chester, Pa. Every two weeks 125 men will be graduated from the six-weeks course of instruction in delivering Army mail. But there's more to it than that. It's really a post graduate school, because it's open only to former postoffice employees now in the Army.

The Army's mail history is a long one. When George Washington's ragged, little Continental army was playing hare and hounds with the British, the importance of mail to the troops was recognized. The general himself pleaded with the post to do better in getting letters from home to the men on the firing line. By the time World War I came around, the morale value of a message from mama or the girl friend was an established fact and the APO went to town. Compared to mail delivery problems of World War I, however, those of the first World War were simple. APO offices now circle the globe.

When our troops landed in North Africa, "shooting postmen" were among the first to get their feet wet. Mobile postoffices now move

1—Promote the flow of vital digestive juices in the stomach  
2—Energize your body with RICH, RED BLOOD!

YOUNG people, especially those of grammar and high school age, are prone to be deficient in stomach digestive juices and red blood.

A growing person who is operating on a 65 to 70% healthy blood volume, a stomach digestive capacity of only 50 to 60% normal is severely handicapped. In such cases, the body needs extra help. Organic troubles or focal infection, if they exist, must be corrected. Tissue foods must be absorbed and rich, red blood must be present to build sturdy bodies.</



## Social and Personal

Daisy Dorothy Heard, Editor  
Phone 768 Between 8 a. m. and 4 p. m.

### Social Calendar

**Wednesday, April 7th**  
Because of unavoidable circumstances the Brookwood P. T. A. meeting has been postponed to Wednesday, April 14 at 3 o'clock at the school. At this meeting Mrs. O. A. Graves, the guest speaker, will bring an address on "Your Home is Your Fortress".

**Thursday, April 8th**  
Mrs. Clyde Sexton, a recent bride, will be honored at a shower at the home of Mrs. A. Hallbert, 8 o'clock. Mrs. Herbert Lewallen will be the associate hostess.

**Friday, April 9th**  
The Friday Music club, home of Mrs. C. C. McNeill, choral club, 2 o'clock, study club, 3 o'clock. Mrs. Henry Haynes will discuss music in the 18th century stressing Bach and Handel. "Music in the Rococo Era" will be the subject of a discussion by Mrs. Dick Watkins.

**High school P. T. A.**, the school, 3:30 o'clock. A full attendance is urged.

**The Hope Business and Professional Women's club** will meet at the Barlow for a dinner meeting, 6 o'clock.

**Mrs. Lowthorp Named to State Commission**  
Mrs. Charles S. Lowthorp, of Little Rock, formerly of Hope, was elected a member of the Arkansas War Time Civil Control Administration at the spring board meeting of the Arkansas Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy held in Little Rock last month.

**One of the founders of the Clara Lowthorp chapter of the Children of the Confederacy**, Mrs. Lowthorp is a past state president of the U. D. C.

**Mrs. Oliver Adams is Hostess at Club Party**  
Two tables were arranged for the players at the home of Mrs. Oliver Adams when she entertained mem-

**bers of the Tuesday Contract Bridge club** yesterday afternoon. Japonica, Spirea and pearl blossoms were used in profusion in the entertaining rooms.

**After the spirited games** Mrs. W. R. Herndon received the high score prize, War Stamps. A dainty remembrance was presented to the guests, Mrs. O. C. Sutton.

**The hostess served a delicious desert** consisting of tea to the following: Mrs. Sutton, Mrs. R. L. Branch, Mrs. Syd McMath, Mrs. George Ware, Mrs. W. R. Herndon, Mrs. Kelley Bryant, Mrs. George Newbern, and Mrs. Kent Brown.

**Mrs. R. L. Branch, Mrs. Syd McMath Have Wesleyan Guild Program**  
A meeting of the Wesleyan Guild of the First Methodist church was held at the home of Miss Mary Claude Fletcher with Miss Elsie Weisenberger, associate hostess.

**Mrs. R. L. Branch, chairman of the group**, presided at the business session. The leader of the program, Mrs. Syd McMath, was introduced by Mrs. Lamar Cox. "Evangelical Work in South America" was the study topic.

**Miss Elizabeth Hendrix discussed the work in Argentina**, and Miss Elsie Weisenberger told of systems used in Chile. The program was closed with a prayer by Mrs. McMath.

**Before adjourning, a guest, Mrs. B. W. Edwards**, gave a report of the recent conference meeting held in Little Rock.

**Delightful refreshments were served.**

**Dinner-Bridge for Wednesday Club at Dale Jones Home**  
A delectable dinner was served members of the Wednesday Contract club at the home of Mrs. Dale Jones Tuesday evening. Following dinner interesting games of contract were enjoyed with Mrs. A. D. Brannan receiving the high score gift. Mrs. Milton Eason won the bingo prize.

**For the occasion, the Jones' home was artistically decorated** with numerous arrangements of spring flowers.

**Little Miss Jimmy Anne Cole assisted the hostess.** Mrs. Bert Russ was the only guest other than the club members.

**Coming and Going**  
Graydon Green of Shreveport was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

**Mrs. Roy Powell of Texarkana is the guest of Mrs. W. R. Herndon.**

**After a visit with relatives in Mt. Pleasant, Texas**, Mrs. Lyle Moore has returned to her home in the city.

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## SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.,  
Wide World Sports Columnist



New York, April 7 (AP)—Horse race bettors who have been enjoying an enforced vacation for a few days will have a fresh lot of horses to put their money on when the eastern season opens tomorrow.

Most of the southern favorites haven't reached Jamaica yet, and Narragansett, which opens Saturday, has only about half as many nags as usual. . . . The reason — transportation. . . . Shanty Hogan will manage the ball team and Rab bit Maranville will coach at the Fore River, Mass., shipyard where they're both working. And between them, they'll probably drown out all the riverboats. . . . Al Buck is back covering the fight and horse races for the N. Y. Post after being discharged from the Army because of age.

**No. 1 Fan**  
One reason why all good ball players seem to wind up at the Norfolk Naval Station is Capt. H. A. McClure, commanding officer at the base. . . . He's the only non-player allowed to sit on the bench; he's the first one to congratulate anyone who socks a homer and the other day when Dom DiMaggio tumbled over the fence chasing a fly, the captain jumped into the nearest cap and whizzed out to see if he was hurt.

**Shorts and Shells**  
The Dodgers recently asked the Connecticut interscholastic athletic conference for a list of high school coaches they could contact for names of boys eligible for a summer training camp. The conference turned down the request. . . . Arturo Godoy is all set to go to the United States after he fights Fernando Menichelli in Santiago, Chile, April 24. . . . That Louisville company that makes the bats for big league baseballers is turning out a side line of policemen's bilbies. Maybe the cops could use a few. . . . Young T. Stripling, son of the former boxer, is a promising sprinter at a Macon, Ga., high school. . . . Frenchy Borgdary, who once wowed the Dodgers with his whiskers, will be one of the "Batting Beavers" who play against them bums in a movie that is being shot at Ebbets Field.

**Today's Guest Star**  
Henry V. Vance, Birmingham, (Ala.) Age-Herald: "Any ball player who has 12 kids, lumbago and a couple of arches on the verge of falling will be pretty much in demand. Bill McKechnie, Sr., may be calling the venerable Ray Stutz 'Kid' before they ever find out who is to be queen of the May this year."

**Blank Night**  
Colleague Lou Black reports that a New Haven, Conn., movie theater put on a boxing card on the stage one night to plug a fight picture and turned the customers away. . . . But when boxing was ruled in the New Haven arena a short time later, after six months lapse, the fans stayed away in droves. . . . Now the fight promoter is wondering whether to book a movie with the next card.

**Service Dept.**  
Tommy Loughran is touting Phil De Angelis, one of the physical training instructors at the Parris Island, S. C., Marine base, as a coming welterweight champion. . . . Report from St. Louis is that ex-Cardinal Terry Moore is due to be elevated to a lieutenantcy when he gets back to Panama. . . . Lieut. Joe Hunt, former Georgia and Wyoming grid coach and Cardinal farm hand, has been transferred from Cowan Field, Idaho, to the Topeka, Kas. Army Air Base, where a big base-ball program is planned. . . . Although the Fort Sill, Okla., artillery men cleaned up in the state amateur boxing tournament, which was held right on the post, the four night tournament drew only about 2,000 spectators a night at 50 cents a head. . . . Lieut. Larry Louche, former Dartmouth athlete now a ski trooper at Camp Hale, Colo., reports that if they're still up there after the snow leaves a lot of the boys are planning to pan for gold. The mountains thereabouts are peck marked with old diggings.

**Zoot Suits Itch Fighting Marines**  
Farmville, Va. (AP)—Japanese snipers, malaria and mosquitoes aren't the only things that trouble the marines in the South Pacific.

Captain Francis Orgain, of the United States Marines, who came home on a furlough, said the Marines have two other pet peeves—strikes and zoot suits.

"The reaction to strikes was rabid enough," Orgain said, "but a magazine or newspaper shot of a zoot-suited lad would set off a marine's temper every time."

Scientist have never found an adequate explanation for the strange, geometric "canals" on the planet Mars.

## Schuessler and Veverka Plan to Do Some Hurling

Atlanta, April 7 (AP)—If they can dazzle opposing batters with the same skill they're displaying in helping to strike out the Axis, two veteran pitchers are going to be mighty important men around the Southern Association this year.

Their names are Zack Schuessler and Handy Andy Frank Veverka, and their efforts right now are devoted to war plant jobs. But they are planning to do some parttime hurling this season — Schuessler for Birmingham and Veverka for Memphis — if it can be arranged so as not to interfere with their war work.

Two new arrivals — Infielder Luther Cunnels and Pitcher Henry Johnson — reported yesterday at Memphis.

At Birmingham, Manager Johnny Riddle announced the signing of John (Lefty) Baker, pilot last year of Pensacola in the South eastern League.

From Macon, G. A., training ground of the Nashville Vols, came news of latest arrival in the Vols' camp, 16-year-old Floyd McDowell, Gordon, Ga.

In New Orleans, Manager Ray Blades, awaiting the return of Business Manager Charles Hurth from Brooklyn with more players, took time out for musings about the lack of pep in small squads.

Knoxville Manager Buddy Lewis awaited word from Red Evans, mainstay of the hurling staff last year, as to whether he will give up his war job to return to the mound. Meanwhile Lewis gave the nod to Walter Lance former Appalachian League from Elizabeth ton, for the first base spot left vacant by Harry Boss. The hurling signing of Charlie Miller, right staff has been bolstered by the signing of Charlie Miller, right hander from Hagerstown, Pa., in the inter state circuit.

Chattanooga still had not heard from Second Baseman Jose Gomez, and a North Georgia boy, Charley Dean, appeared as the likely replacement.

Fortson Manager Buck Fausett of Little Rock looked to Pitcher Frank Papish and Catcher Marland Doolittle to arrive today to bring his squad up to the amazing total of six, while Cliff Belton, veteran catcher from Oklahoma City, was expected in a few days.

Four more players joined the Atlanta Crackers and Manager Al Leitz breathed easier. The new arrivals were First Baseman

## Dick Bartell Treated for a Sore Arm

By The Associated Press  
Giant Infielder's Arm Ailing

Lakewood, N. J., April 7 (AP)—Dick Bartell, veteran infielder who may be the New York Giant third baseman if Sid Gordon passes his physical draft examination, has gone to New York City for treatment of an ailing arm.

Bartell's throwing arm has troubled him in recent weeks and Manager Mel Ott wants to know the reason why, now that Gordon may be called up.

**Dodgers To Play Yale**  
Brooklyn — A majority of the Brooklyn Dodgers went to New Haven Conn., today and a contest with the Yale nine of Red Rolfe. The remainder, however, appeared at Ebbets field for a brief work out in the sliding pits.

**Yankees Vs. Farmhands**  
Asbury Park, N. J. — The New York Yankees go to Newark today for their third meeting with their International league farmhands. It will be the rubber game between the two teams and the contest has created so much excitement the schools are being dismissed in the afternoon.

**Not Concocted Over Cooper**  
Cairo, Ill.—Manager Billy South worth expresses no concern about the back injury which took his star pitcher, Mort Cooper, back to St. Louis for medical examinations. He still counts on using the big St. Louis Card right hander against the Browns in the first of seven exhibition games between the clubs on Saturday.

**Brown's Get Last Workouts**  
Cape Girardeau, Mo. — With only two days remaining before the St. Louis Browns take the road for home, Manager Luke Sewell is giving his boys the gun. He has scheduled a practice game for today in addition to a long workout and a morning drill is on tap for Thursday before they board a St. Louis — bound bus.

**Rennell Island, 110 miles south of Guadalcanal**, is the southernmost tip of the 900-mile Solomons chain.

Harry Hughes, from Hughes; Jack Theard, from New Orleans; and Hurlers Bud Tibbury, 19-year old Arkansas native, and Bill Ayers, who delivered 19 victories to Savannah's South Atlantic club last year.

## Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press  
New Bedford, Mass.—Ted Lowry, 177, New Bedford, and Andy Holland, 170, New York, drew (10). Buffalo — Johnny Green, 151, Lackawanna, N. Y., outpointed Bobby Claus, 147, Buffalo, (8). New York — Angelo Callura, 131, Hamilton, Ont., outpointed Mike Belloise, 131, New York, (8). Jersey City — Perry Lowe, 147, Newark, outpointed Freddie Wilson, 152, New York, (8). Los Angeles — Jimmy Bivins, 179, Cleveland, outpointed Watson Jones, 172, Los Angeles, (10).

## Legal Notice

No. 5881  
In the Chancery Court of Hempstead County, Arkansas.  
WARNING ORDER

Mary E. Smith, Plaintiff, vs. G. T. Blankenship, et al., Defendants.

The Defendants, G. T. Blankenship and Mrs. G. T. Blankenship, his wife, Nece Modest, Mae Day Modest Wren, Ostinner, Freeman Carrie Freeman, Josephine Henry Hunt, Carrie Wright Scott, the unknown heirs of George Jones, the unknown heirs of John McNeely, the Farmers' Royalty Holding Company, a corporation, and the Farmers' Mutual Royalty Syndicate, Incorporated, warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the Plaintiff, Mary E. Smith.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 16th day of March 1943.

(SEAL) J. P. BYERS, Clerk  
Graves & Graves, Attys for Plff.  
P. T. Staggs, Atty ad litem.  
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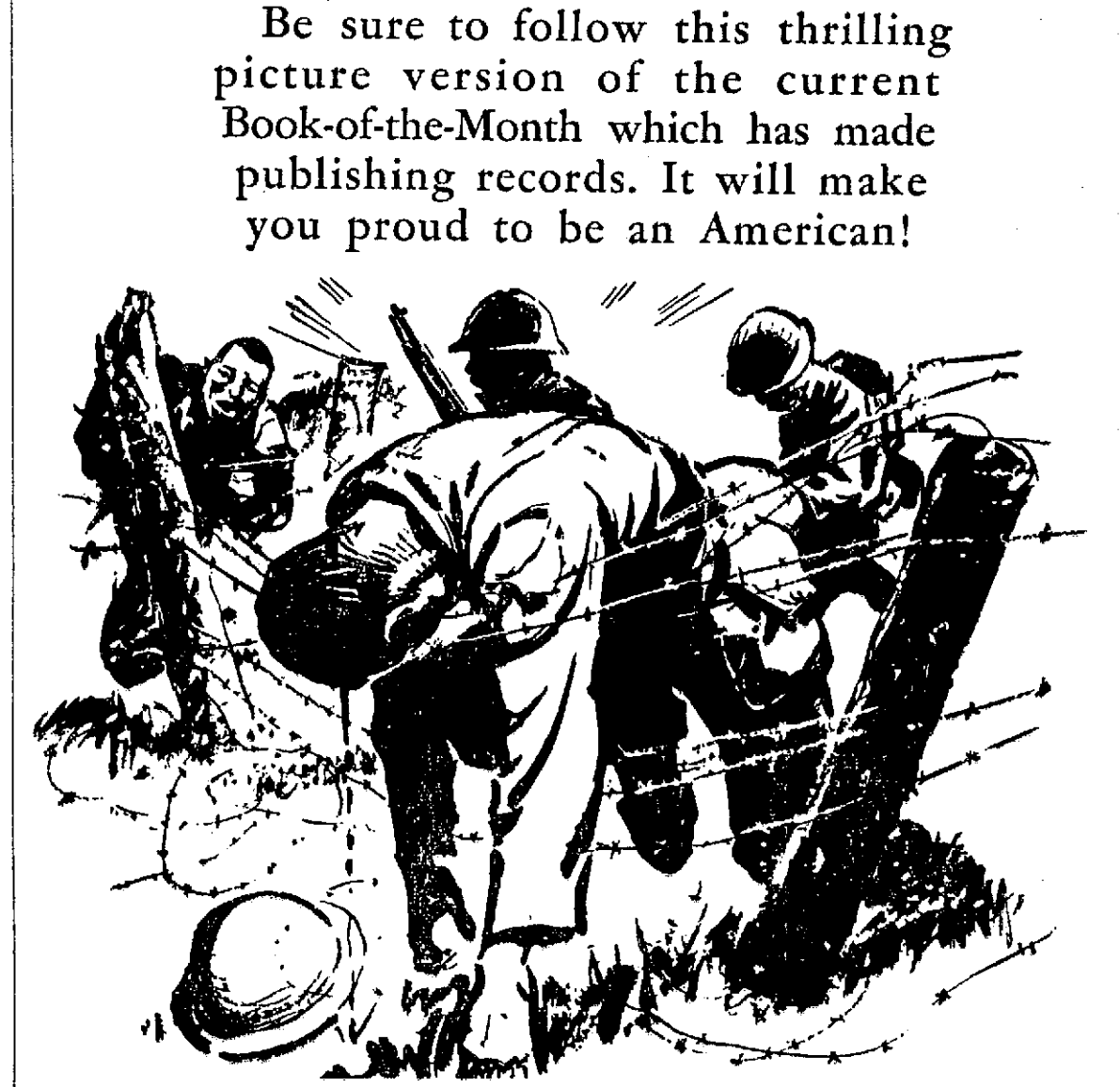
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By J. R. Williams



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## McCaskill

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rhodes  
were Prescott visitors Tuesday af-  
ternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ely of Nash-  
ville visited here a short time  
Thursday night.  
Olen Hamilton of Bogata, Texas,  
arrived Saturday for a visit with  
relatives.

Mrs. Watson Wilson of Prescott  
visited her mother Mrs. Dora  
Worham a short time Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rhodes were  
in Hope and Prescott Thursday.  
D. B. McCaskill and Eed Rhodes  
spent Saturday in Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Moses of Ben-  
ton visited relatives here last week.  
Miss Marcia Stephens of Blevins  
spent Thursday night with Janelle  
McCaskill.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ely and Mrs.  
Orville Worham spent last Mon-  
day in Little Rock.

Miss Dorothy Senedge of Ft.  
Smith spent last weekend with her  
parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A.  
Senedge.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Owens of  
Bengion were in McCaskill Tuesday  
afternoon.

Van Hamilton with the U. S. Navy  
who has been stationed in N. Y.  
city arrived home Friday night for  
a visit with his parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. C. A. Hamilton. Miss Velma  
Lee Hamilton of Marked Tree also  
came for a short visit.

Miss Betty Stephenson of Tulsa,  
Okla. spent the weekend with the  
C. A. Hamilton family.

Mrs. David Frith of Hope spent  
the weekend with her mother Mrs.  
Dora Worham.

Mrs. Lomel Rowland of Hope  
spent the weekend with her parents  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hill.

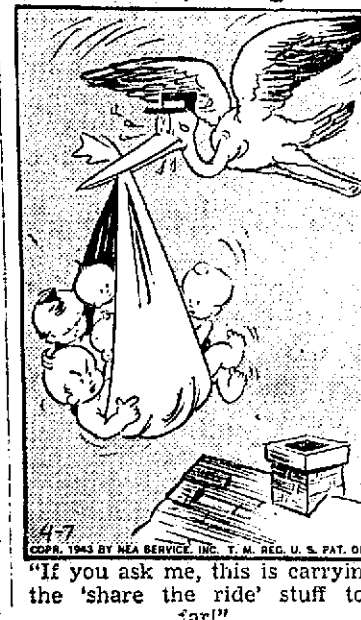
Mrs. W. M. Gentry of Hope spent  
the weekend with Dr. and Mrs. J.  
E. Gentry.

Mrs. Wattie Hooker of El Dorado  
spent the weekend with her parents  
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Reese.

## Deaths Last Night

By The Associated Press  
Chicago, April 7.—(AP)—Dr. Wil-  
liam H. G. Logan, 70, dental sur-  
geon who was prominent in organ-  
izing and developing the Dental Re-  
serve Corps of the U. S. Army  
during the first World War, and for-  
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Dental Federation, died last night.

## Hold Everything

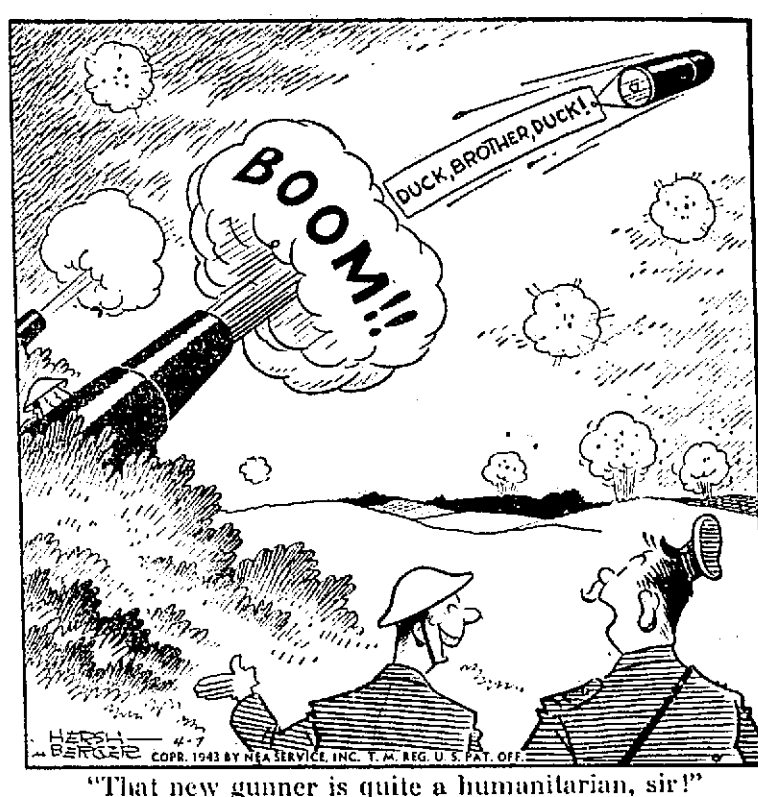


## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



## FUNNY BUSINESS



## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



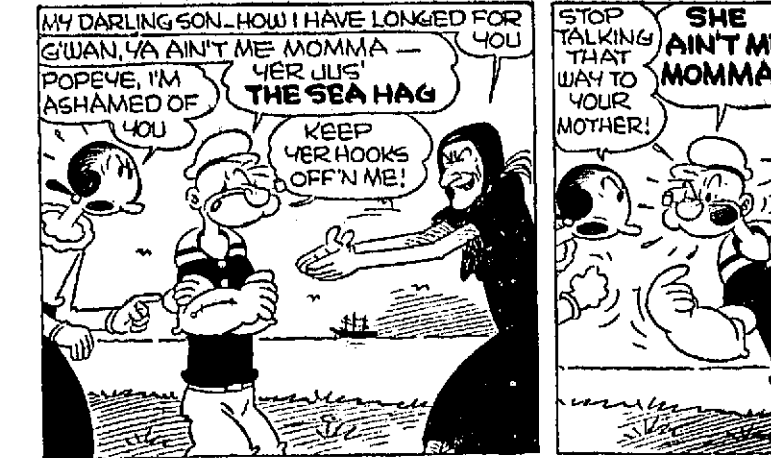
## OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople



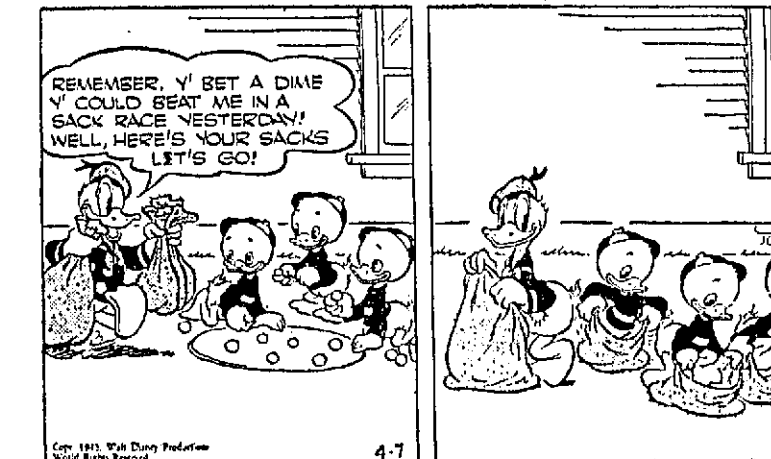
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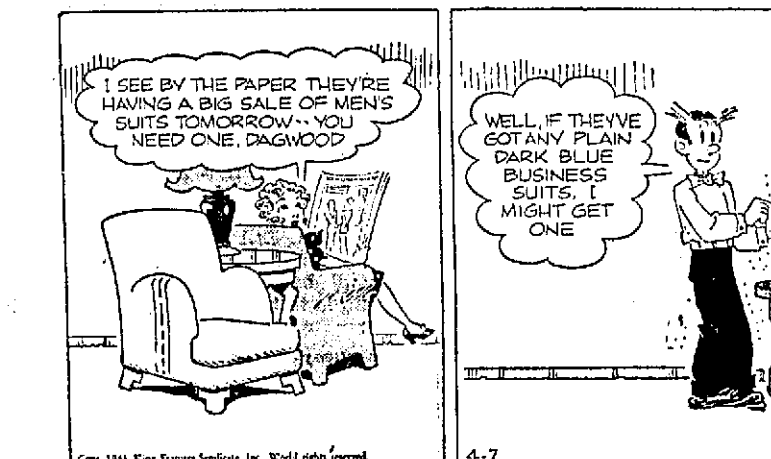
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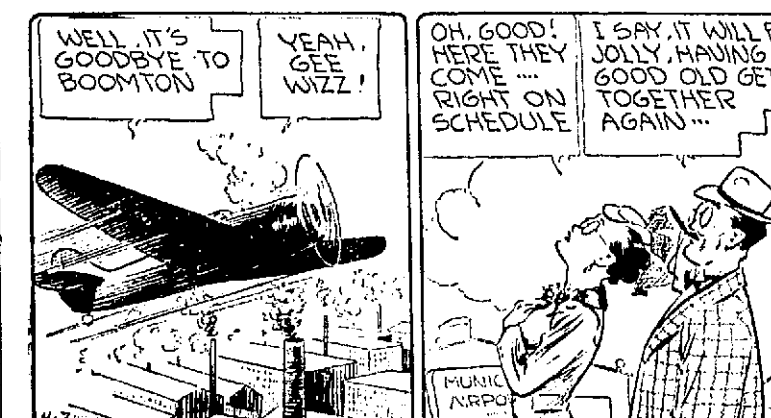
## Donald Duck



## Blondie



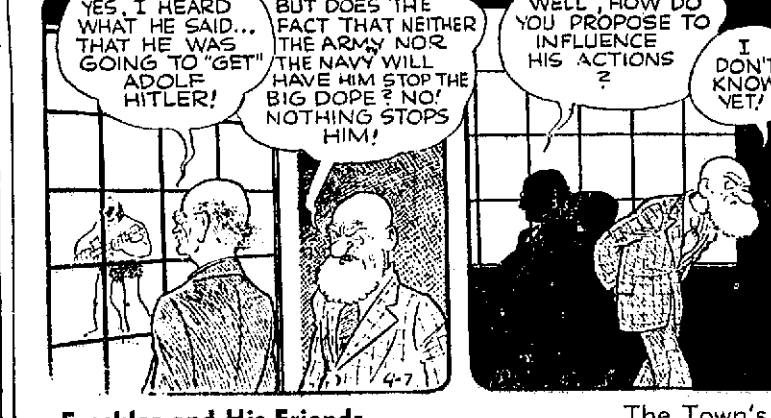
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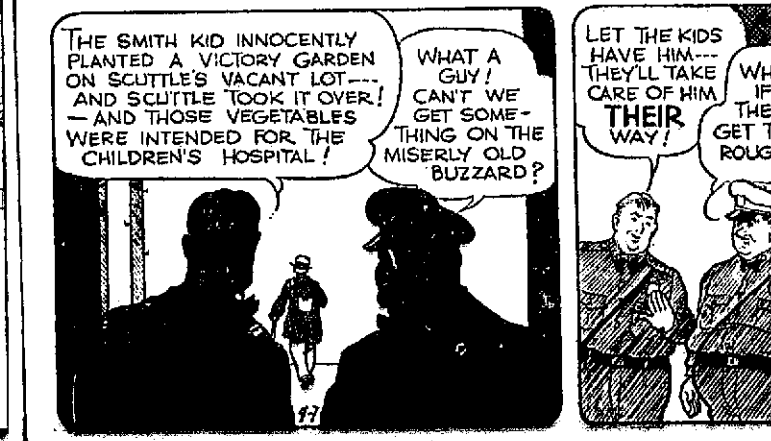
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## Alley Oop



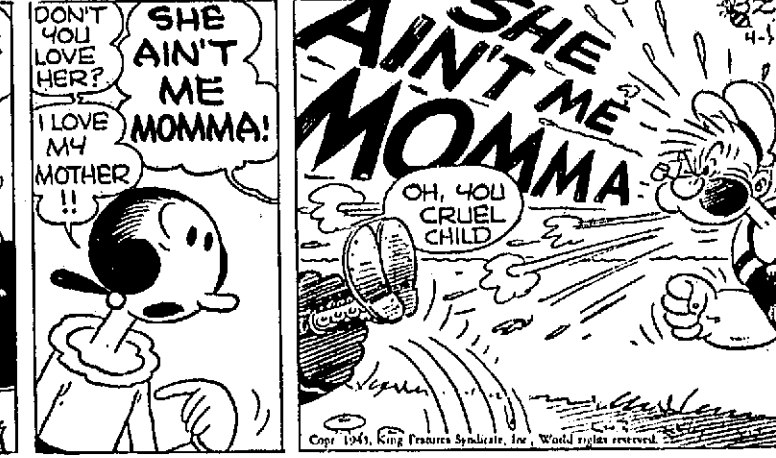
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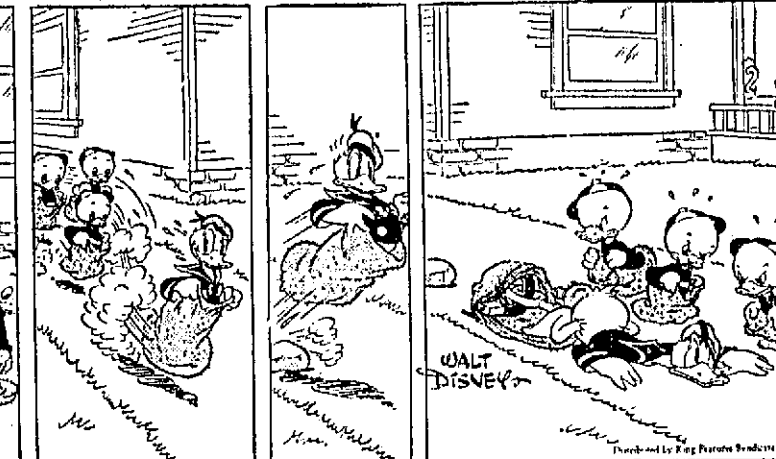
## Nice Fellas



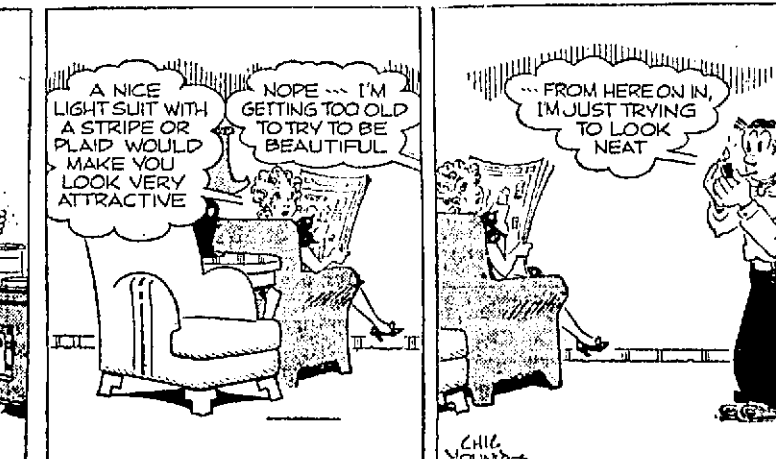
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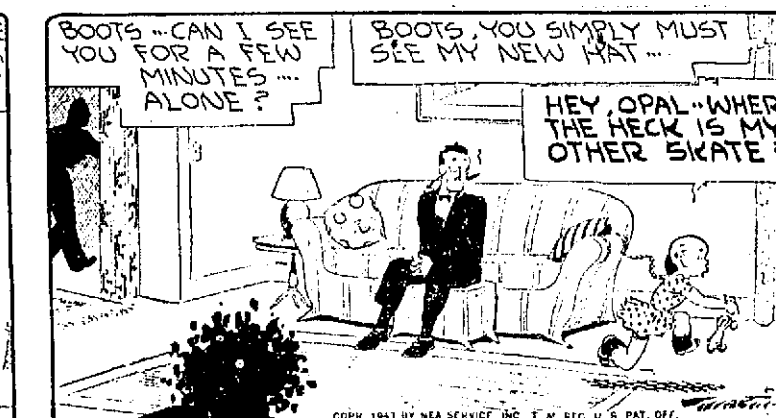
## A Championship in the Bag!



## Glamour Boy Dims Out!



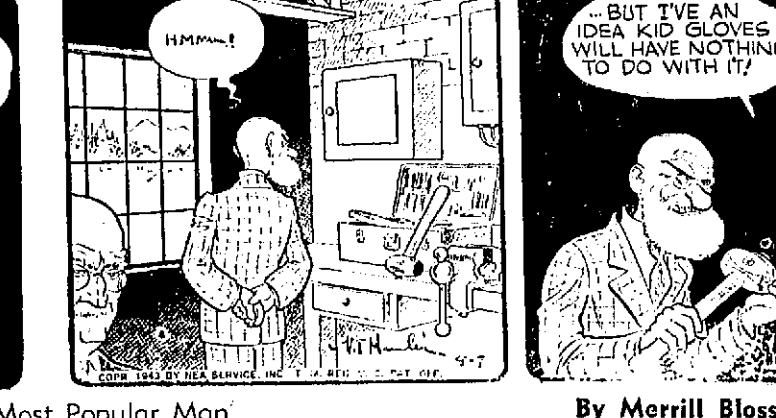
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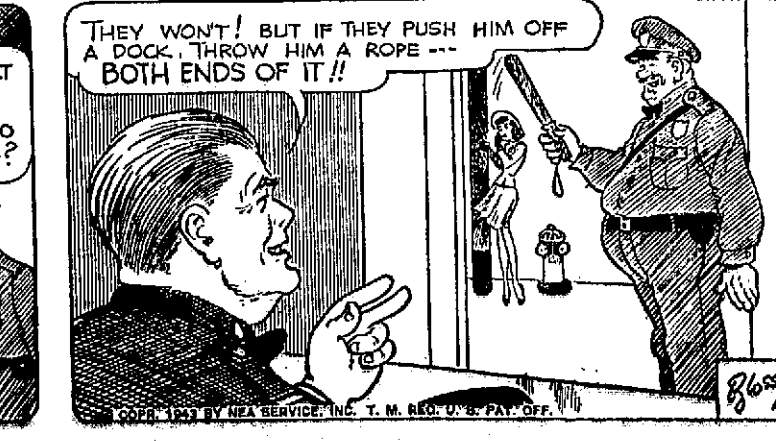
## Looks Bad for Red



## Nothing Subtle Will Work



## The Town's Most Popular Man



## By Roy Crane

## Thimble Theater

## By Walt Disney

## By Chic Young

## By Edgar Martin

## By Fred Harman

## By V. T. Hamlin

## By Merrill Blosser



## Spring

Ye rigid plowmen, bear in mind  
Your labor is for future hours!  
Advance—spare not—nor look behind—  
Plow deep and straight with all your powers.  
—Richard Henry Horne

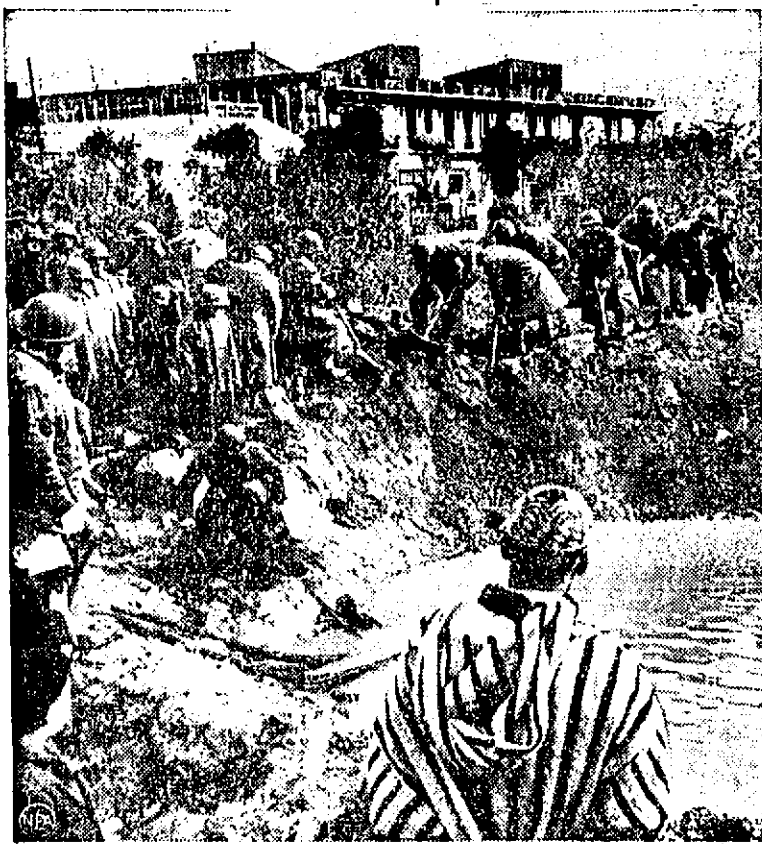


Horseplay, Tunisia Style



Pair of RAF flyers in Tunisia attempt to board a beast of that strange land of war, and the camel seems to be getting as big a laugh out of it as anybody.

## Fill 'Er Up



Using picks and shovels American soldiers fill a crater resulting from a Nazi air raid on Casablanca. As the hole is being filled, hose lines pump off water from a broken main.

## Nazi Navy Chief Plans Sub Campaign



Adml. Karl Donitz, center, former U-boat commander who replaced Admiral Raeder as German navy chief, goes over maps with two staff officers as he plans the Nazis' submarine campaign at an Atlantic base. Picture is from a German propaganda magazine.

## Pet Trouble



Mrs. Byron Phillips, 17, of Los Angeles, is suing for divorce because her husband gives his pet lion cub more attention than he does her.



Dynamite is the name of this panther pet of Hollywood starlet Ariel Heath, and he looks it

## Good Skate for Red Cross



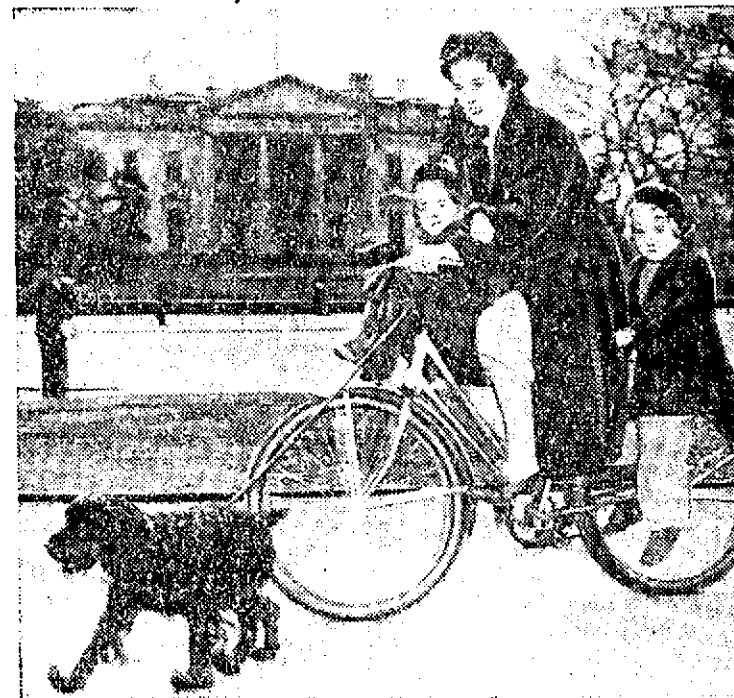
Herman, educated pet of Comedienne Gil Mason, collects contributions for the Red Cross from willing donors in New York.

## Sweets and Meat, Chop Chop



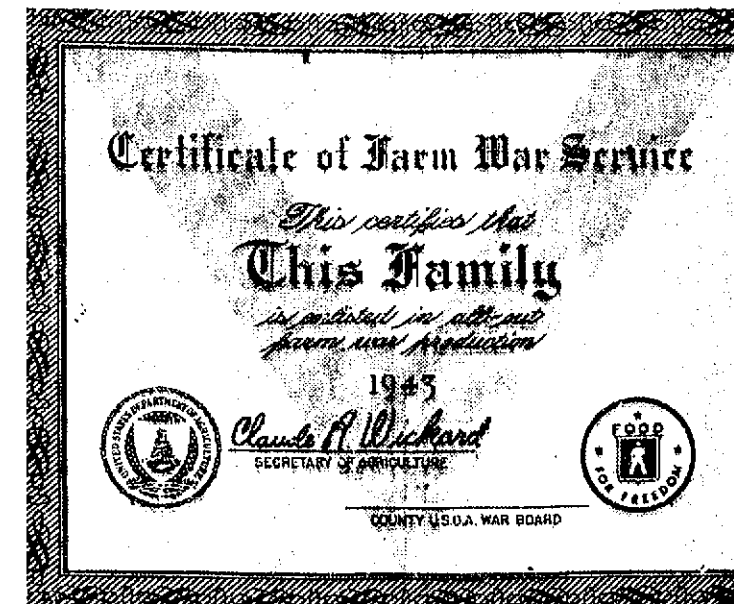
American soldiers in Chengtu, China, make a purchase in pidgin English at combination confectionery and grocery, with candy on the counter and plenty of hams and dried ducks hanging from the ceiling.

## Bicycle Built for Three



Mrs. Grant Morris solves Washington's wartime transportation problems as she pedals by the White House with daughters Dorothy and Barbara on the handlebars and tandem. But Buddy, the family dog, finds he must walk as usual.

## Farm Service Award



Farm families enlisted in the 1943 farm mobilization will be awarded these certificates through Department of Agriculture war boards.

## Touch of Texas



Western-garbed, Texas-born Winnie Powell, of New York's Roxy theater Roxyettes, has been chosen "Miss Rose Room" by air corps cadets training at Atlantic City.

## Caught With Her—



Baby Elaine Athans gives Maurice Fitzgerald, New York City official, the bare facts on how cut in fuel oil rationing for diaper services is affecting her.

## The Bride Wore—



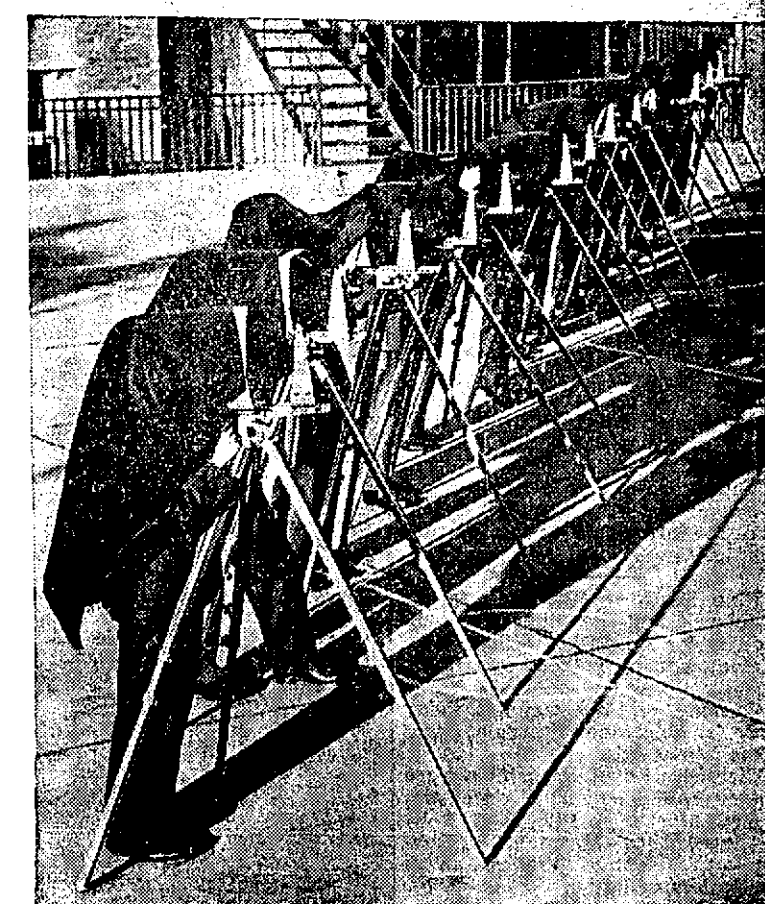
Kay Williams and Hollywood publicity stuntists offer this wedding gown as a clothes conservation possibility.

## But If the Rake Breaks—



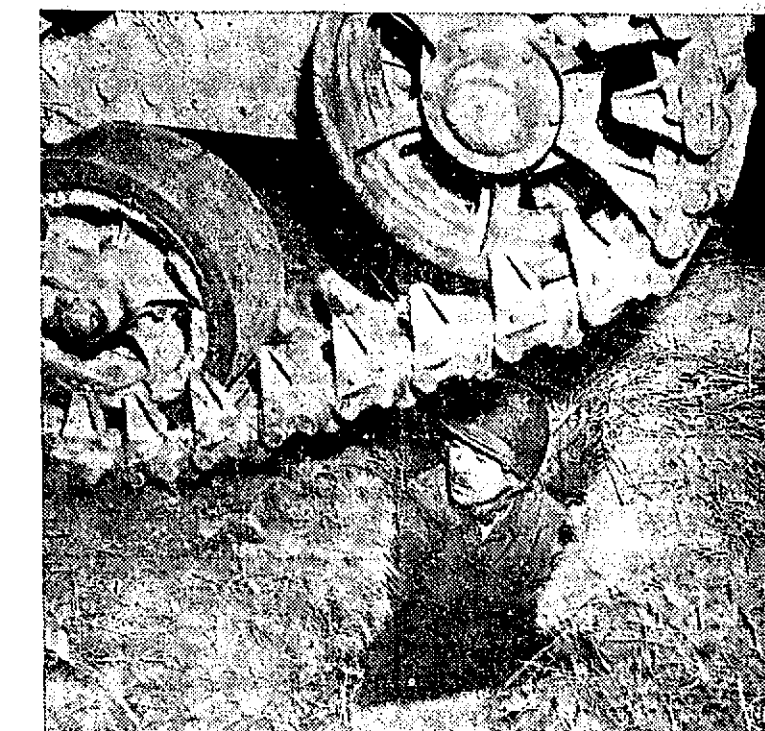
How to put vigor in your victory gardening is athletically demonstrated by rake-vaulting Hollywood starlet Nella Hart.

## Watch the Birdies



RAF process experts somewhere in England take a lot of pictures of nothing in particular for practice in developing film so they can capture fine detail when processing high altitude photos taken by British aerial cameramen.

## Duck!



(U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo From NEA) Capt. C. T. Hillman, on Third Army maneuvers in Louisiana, shows there's no better place to be than in a foxhole when a 30-ton tank comes rumbling over.

## No Meat Is Bad News



Glum? Brother, who wouldn't be, with news like this? New York police dog noting ration news contemplates prospects of a vegetarian diet.



## Little Interest in Arkansas Elections

Little Rock, April 7 (AP)—A small vote was expected today in Arkansas municipal elections, due to the fact that in most cities the late of candidates was unopposed.

However, in a few cities run-offs brought spirited contests, city ordinances were submitted voters in some municipalities.

The only issue facing Little Rock voters was an annexation ordinance which would bring about five square miles into the city. All candidates for city posts were unopposed.

In North Little Rock, balloting was a formality since the entire state was without opposition.

Hot Springs — As usual, Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin and eight aldermen are unopposed for re-election. McLaughlin has been opposed for re-election only three times during his 16 years as the city's chief executive.

Stuttgart — L. K. Buerkle, former representative from Arkansas county, and Dr. H. S. Neel, a dentist, oppose each other for mayor in the only contest here.

To curtail expenses, both candidates agreed to use only one voting precinct instead of the customary three.

H. C. Stump, mayor for six years, declined renomination.

Russellville — Mayor Charles M. Howell was returned to office for the third time today without opposition, out his record was beaten by Mrs. Louis Hood, city treasurer, who was named to her sixth successive term.

The entire state was unopposed.

Fayetteville — Mayor George Vaughan and all other nominees for city office were elected without opposition today.

Fort Smith — Commissionership of public works, utilities and parks is the only contested post in today's election. Incumbent H. S. Peck is opposed by Jay Medlen, engineer.

Voters were also asked to approve or reject a garbage collection fee ordinance and a library tax levy.

Pine Bluff — Mayor Lawrence Blackwell and the other five candidates for Pine Bluff offices were reelected today without opposition.

Camden — Only contests today were for aldermen in three of Camden's four wards.

Elected without opposition were Mayor R. S. Risinger; city treasurer Tom Morton, and Dr. R. B. Robbins, ward three alderman. Dr. Robbins is president of the Arkansas Medical Association.

Blytheville, Though there were no contests for offices in today's city election, Blytheville voters considered two important ordinances.

They were to decide whether parking meters will be installed on city streets, and whether Elmwood cemetery will be excluded from the city limits.

Mayor E. R. Jackson and aldermen are unopposed.

Paragould — Contests in six out of seven city posts provided a spirited city election here today. Mayor Aaron H. Massengill, a barber, is opposed for a third term by C. W. (Bill) Hammond, news stand operator and former city clerk.

El Dorado — R. C. Bodenhamer, real estate dealer, succeeded Walter L. Goodwin as El Dorado's mayor today without opposition. The rest of the slate also was unopposed.

Helena — George A. Gibson, candidate for first ward alderman, was the only new name on the city ballot today.

Mayor D. T. Hargraves was unopposed for reelection.

Jonesboro — W. C. Crag, former chief of police, opposes Mayor Herbert J. Bosler for re-election. In ward one, Robert Higginbotham opposes P. L. Graves for alderman. Other candidates were elected without contests.

## Clubs

Shover Springs Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. E. Aaron March 31, with two new members present. Meeting was called to order by the President. The letter the council president wrote the clubs and the Victory pledge were read. Mrs. McWilliams gave a demonstration on making cheese sauce and a cheese dish of the cheese the club made which all enjoyed very much. She also urged us to keep saving our waste material to have when called for.

Meeting adjourned to meet the 4th Tuesday of April with Mrs. S. L. Churchwell.

Within the last month Shover Springs has had leader training meeting in their club group. Miss Sybil Bates, Handicraft and Home Industry Specialist, was with the group and held a leader training meeting. Miss Mary Claude Fletcher, home demonstration agent, met with the Shover Springs Home Demonstration Club the latter part of March and had a slip cover demonstration.

Shintoism and Buddhism are the principal forms of religion in Japan.

Kairouan, in Tunisia, is the holiest city of Moslem Africa.

## This Easter's Soft Suit Is Hard to Beat And Foundation of 'Two-Season' Wardrobe

By ROSELLEN CALLAHAN  
NEA Staff Writer.

This is probably the biggest suit year ever. Women who want a wartime "two-season" Easter outfit that will not only carry them through the spring but which they can wear next fall and under winter coats too, will find the suit their best bet.

Highlighted in all collections this season are the soft suits which may be worn all year round and for any occasion. Boasting beautiful detailing and long-lasting fabrics, they take to assessories like worn with a hand-made sheer blouse and flower hat, they spell spring. Or complemented by a metallic gilet, they make a perfect costume for fall festivities. Pick a dark color and the simplest of styling, and you'll have a suit good this year and a year or two to come.

One of the most adaptable models this season is a short jacket suit of navy blue ribbed woolen, with brilliant buttons carried in a straight line down the front of the jacket and front closing of the skirt. A multicolored print scarf, laced through shoulder button holes can be switched for others to match a multitude of assessories.

Trapunto work takes the place of fussier trimming in many two-piece models. Hand-knotted upholsterer's fringe is another effective fillip.

Gray, I-A in this year's color classification, lays claim to being tops for year-round suitability. Team it up with spanking white assessories and it shouts Easter. Switch the white for black blouse, beret and gloves—and presto, it's fall fashion at its best. But before you buy, consider the bolero suit, especially those in three tones.



ABOVE: Trapunto work in an effective looped design decorates this 1943 "soft" suit of Forstmann air mail blue. Trouser pressed pleats keep the skirt slim, yet provide plenty of walking room.



BELOW: Spring favorite is the gray suit with white assessories. Awaiting her escort Easter morn, this young lady wears a smart suit of Hockanum yarn-dyed wool with crisp white gilet embroidered in matching gray. She carries a collar box bag of the suit material.



Leaving church after Easter services, this miss proudly displays her smart short-jacket suit of navy blue Hockanum wool crepe, trimmed with hand-knotted upholsterer's fringe. A bit of wild rose ribbon, to match the blouse beneath, is knotted through the fringed lapel. Her saucer hat is of navy straw, rose-trimmed.

## Blevins

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bruce spent the weekend in Little Rock where they were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Clifton Harris and Mr. Harris.

Mrs. Velma Brown and son, Harold Reese were weekend guests of relatives in Nashville.

Miss Ernestine E. Houser left Friday for Little Rock where she was to leave Sunday for Daytona Beach, Fla., to begin her training in the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Worthy Irvin of Nashville were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brown.

Mrs. Miller Stewart left Friday for Jonesboro for a short visit with her husband.

Jack Houser and J. B. Bailey left Friday for Houston, Texas, where they plan to work.

Mrs. Ruth Cox has returned to her home here from Texarkana where she has been visiting.

The library is open twice a week now. Each Monday and Friday from 11 a. m. to 3 p. m.

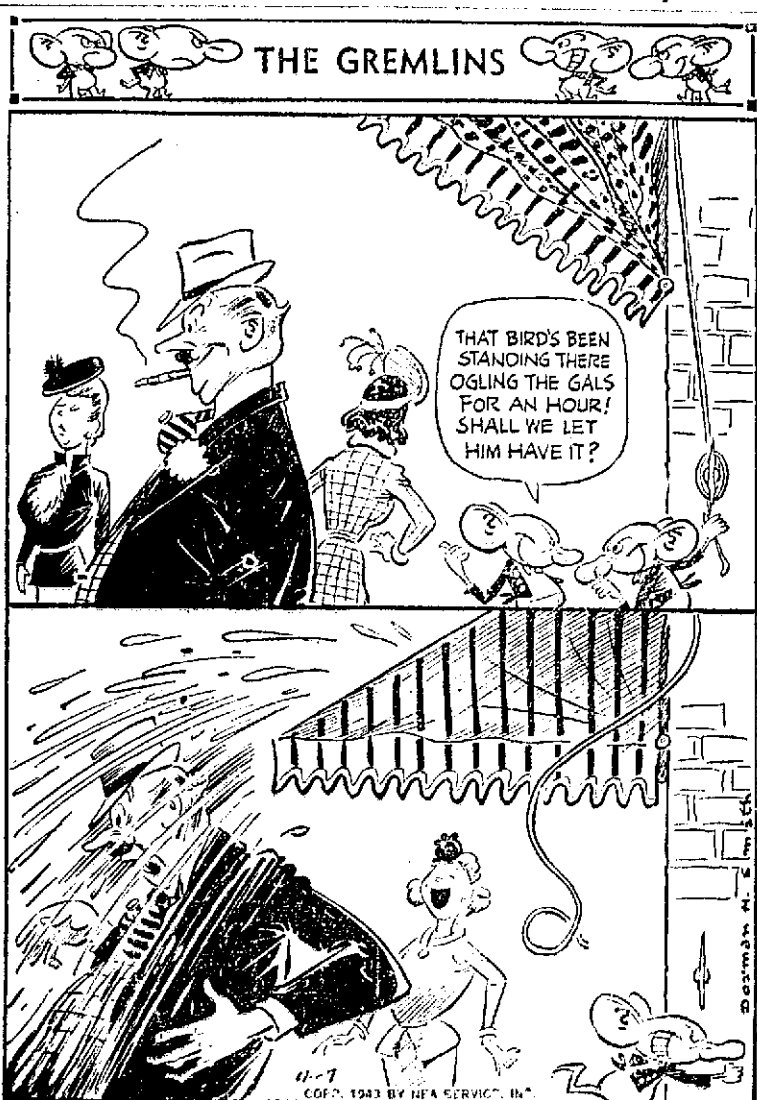
## No State Track Meet This Year

Little Rock, April 7 (AP)—There will be no state high school track meet in Arkansas this year.

The Arkansas Athletic Association announced last night the meet had been abandoned because only four schools favored it.

Prohibiting the use of tin in repairing certain small-type gas meters will save more than 125 tons of this metal a year.

Subscribe for the Hope Star Today.



## 'Fun and Functional' Is 1943 Easter Bonnet Slogan



In the traditional pattern of spring frivolity is the Lilly Dache hat pictured above. It's simply a colorful crest of lush wild roses arranged like a cock's comb and filling into, rather than atop, the coiffure.

By ROSELLEN CALLAHAN  
NEA Staff Writer

"Fun and functional" is the Easter bonnet slogan for spring. Hit hats of the Easter Parade will be frivolous and fanciful concoctions of ribbon, flowers and lace. And hot on the heels of their popularity are plenty of practical suit hats.

Women with a limited clothes

allowance who plan to buy only one basic suit or simple frock, can achieve as much variety as they please with a wardrobe of hats. And this year it isn't at all hard to find a hat to fit and flatter every face. There are big brims, high crowns and low crowns, brilliant hues and soft pastels.

Fashion's pet is the saucy sailor in striped taffeta with matching



Hat and bag matchmates like the postillion hat of gray and pink plaid silk surah, with companion envelope bag, will accent your new suit, give your last year's one a new lease on life. Designed by Lil Picard.



Simple and smart for almost any occasion, with the added virtue of being easy to pack, is Lil Picard's tricornie of changeable taffeta, pictured above. It has neither stiff frame or wire to be broken when stuffed in a suitcase.



New spring silhouette is this empire-styled gray felt, bound in "hot" pink grosgrain and trimmed with a visor veil. It was designed by Walter Florell for this season's soft suits and slim, basic frocks.

accessories, or in rough straw, beguilingly be-veiled and flower trimmed. "Peeps" are as pert as ever, piled high with ribbon and roses. Dainty and demure white ruffled organdy and shirred lace tricornes and baby bonnets tie in beautifully with lingerie-trimmed dresses or frilly suit blouses. And for those of you who are looking for something really super, try a breath-taking

crest of lush wild roses which rise from the crown of the head like a rooster's comb. Newest silhouette to date is the so-becoming Empire styled felt with a black visor veil. And for traveling career women and service men's brides, there are easy-to-pack taffeta tricornes and quilted chintz berets with nary a frame or wire to worry about.

## Government Gals Tired of Sitting Around

By Keanneth L. DIXON

Washington, April 7 (AP)—Comes now the eight - girls to - every man club to combat the capital manpower shortage, and its coy battle cry is:

"We men!"

Washington, as you may have heard, is full of pulchritude, but what does it do of nights? All together, now:

"Play solitaire — And we're sick and tired of it!"

There are not enough men to go around, so pretty Peggy Keshlear, one-time Osceola, Iowa, knockout, called a huddle one night to see how bad the situation really was and what — if anything — could be done about it.

The eight-to-one club resulted, for a survey showed there were eight government gals (or just gals) to every man in Washington. Peggy was elected president, and took action.

She appealed to commanding officers of nearby service camps and bases to stagger leaves and passes for servicemen throughout the week. That way, the boys will get a chance to meet the girls, she thinks — rather than "ganging up in Washington over the week-ends, wondering what they are going to do for amusement." And the girls won't be playing solitaire through the week.

The club idea spread. By this week-end, according to Geraldine Klamke, club vice-president and representative of the charm of Glencoe, Minn., estimated the membership will be about 50.

American farmers have been asked to produce 57 billion quarts of milk in 1943.

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## 530 Japanese Ships Sent to Bottom

New York, April 7 (AP)—Japanese losses in the Pacific and Far East waters over the week and have raised to 530 the Associated Press total of Japanese ships and submarines sunk since December 7, 1941.

During the past month — since the battle of Bismarck sea — the Japs have lost 19 vessels and one submarine. Seven of their boats were announced over the week-end as sunk, four by American subs and three by Allied bombers. The United States has not announced any losses as a result of action against the Japs since February 16 when the Navy reported loss of a destroyer, a cruiser and three torpedo boats.

Sun spots are dark, cloud-like regions from 500 to 50,000 miles in diameter which last from a day to a week.

## Engineers Body Is Recovered by Crew

Little Rock, April 6 (AP) — A wrecking crew recovered from beneath the telescoped locomotives of a Rock Island passenger train and troop train near here last night the body of Engineer Dave R. Smith, 53, of the troop train.

The trains collided head-on Sunday afternoon, killing Smith and Engineer Jack O'Rear, 66, of the passenger train and injuring more than 20 passengers and railroad employees.

## Souvenir Hunters 'Take' Idaho Governor

Boise, Ida. (AP)—Gov. Chas. A. Clark has sent his autograph or a souvenir to someone in every state of the Union in his two-year term. But two request he had to turn down. One was for his 1942 automobile license plates and the other for a pair of his baby shoes.

Richmond, Ind. (AP)—Many girls have longed to break into radio, but few have chosen to do so as Margaret Briscoe did.

Miss Briscoe, 22, was working in a farm-implement plant office when she decided to take a course given by the Richmond amateur radio club to train operators for war emergency radio stations.

Then she passed an examination leading to a Federal Communications Commission license for restricted radiophone operation, and now she is one of the operators at this city's police radio station.

What's your name and home town?

Good reporting includes getting names and addresses whether on a local-police story or the greatest war in history.

Associated Press war correspondents thus never overlook an opportunity to bring the name of a home town boy to the attention of his community.

Take the experience of AP reporter Murlin Spencer. He went up to the fighting front in New Guinea to check on the exploits of a man named "Jager, or something like that." He finally found Thomas Jager of Greenville, Mich., got all the details for his story.

A little later Spencer found himself crouched in a shell hole with two dead Japs just as the Americans started an artillery barrage. He saw a soldier poised to heave a grenade at a Jap pill-box.

"What's your name and home town?" Spencer shouted.

"He looked at me as though I was crazy," Spencer wrote, but the soldier shouted back that he was Robert Amans of Superior, Wis.

Then he let fly at the Japs and the soldier and the reporter both dropped flat as the shells whined over their heads.

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